



Mississippi Economic Development Council

MEMBERSHIP

PURPOSE

The Mississippi Economic Development Council (MEDC) serves as the voice for this state's economic and community development and chamber of commerce professionals and their constituencies. Through collaboration with other local, state, and national entities, MEDC establishes and advocates Mississippi's economic and community development agenda.

We serve our members and this agenda by fostering a network of trained professionals and serving as the primary resource for information and strategies for economic and community development and the promotion of commerce.

Our purpose is to improve Mississippi's communities through the development of their resources.

ELIGIBILITY

Any in-state resident engaged in activities directed toward the economic development of the State of Mississippi is eligible for regular membership in MEDC.

Associate memberships are granted to economic development practitioners who reside outside the state and who otherwise meet the requirements for membership. Associate members have all membership privileges except those of voting or holding office.

Student memberships are available to individuals who are full-time participants in a recognized university program of economic development instruction.

DUES

All memberships must be approved by the Board of Directors. Membership is held in the **name of the individual** and not in the name of the member's organization or firm.

Dues are billed and payable annually upon the anniversary date of the initial membership of each member.

The anniversary date for existing members prior to 1998 is July 1.

DIRECTORY

A membership directory is distributed annually in October by MEDC. Your listing in the directory identifies you as a practicing professional in the economic development field. A current membership directory can be viewed at www.medc.ms.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS

1. Accounting
2. Architecture
3. Association
4. Banking/Finance
5. Business Incubator
6. Chamber of Commerce (only)
7. Construction/Contractor
8. Consulting
9. Economic Development & Chamber of Commerce
10. Economic Development/Local, county
11. Economic Development/Regional
12. Education
13. Education/University/Community College
14. Engineering
15. Executive Search
16. Government/City
17. Government/County
18. Government/Federal
19. Government/State
20. Honorary Life Member
21. Information Technology
22. Insurance
23. International Development
24. Legal
25. Main Street Program
26. Management Services
27. Manufacturing
28. Marketing
29. Medical/Health Services
30. Planning & Dev. District
31. Port/Harbor
32. Procurement
33. Public Relations/Media
34. Real Estate/Land Development
35. Student
36. Technology Dev.
37. Telecommunications
38. Tourism
39. Transportation
40. Utility
41. Other _____

JOIN NOW

Print out, complete and sign the application form and mail with your check made payable to MEDC, to:

Carol Hardwick, Executive Director
MEDC
Post Office Box 3721
Jackson, MS 39207-3721

To pay online, go to www.medc.ms/Membership. Payments are made through PayPal. Online fees apply. For additional information, contact Elizabeth Taylor, Membership Chairman at 601.359.3024 or etaylor@mississippi.org or Carol Hardwick, Executive Director at 601.352.1909 or carol@medc.ms.



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Membership Application

Mr./Ms./Dr.

First Name: _____ Last: _____

Title: _____

Division: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Cell Phone: (ONLY if wish to have it printed, if not, leave blank) _____

E-mail: _____

Webpage: _____

Mississippi County: (out of state members leave blank) _____

Classification: (Choose the **one** classification that best suits your vocation) # _____

Type of Membership: _____ Regular Membership - \$185.00 (in-state) (\$150 for MDA Employees)

_____ Associate Membership - \$275.00 (out-of-state)

"Monies paid to the MEDC are not deductible as charitable contributions under Internal Revenue Code Section 170. They may, however, be deductible by you under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code."

CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of the Mississippi Economic Development Council, I pledge to adhere to the following principles:

To maintain personal integrity in all relationships with my professional associates and the corporate and private citizens whom I serve and to conduct myself in such a manner as to inspire the confidence of those I serve;

To give generous assistance to other members of the Council when requested to do so and to continue to acquire and share my knowledge of the economic development field with others, supporting efforts to further proficiency in this field;

To never intentionally place myself, any of my constituents or clients in a position of conflict of interest in matters relating to the use of inside information for personal or corporate profit or gain;

To always honor the confidentiality of prospective clients and to protect as confidential information that which is shared with me by my fellow professionals, allies, and all others who state such information, either written or orally, as being confidential in nature;

To try my best to elevate the standards of my profession by maintaining high levels of service and conduct, striving to enhance the professional image of the economic development profession; and

To further the development of programs of the profession and the success of the Council.

I have read and subscribe to the MEDC Code of Ethics, this _____ day of _____, 200_____.

Applicant's Signature

Referred By: _____ Date: _____

Make check payable to MEDC and mail to: MEDC, P.O. Box 3721, Jackson, MS 39207-3721
On-line payment instructions are on the website: www.medc.ms

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